CITY OF ALAMEDA

Memorandum

To:

Honorable Mayor and

Members of the City Council

From:

Lisa Goldman

Acting City Manager

Date:

May 3, 2011

Re:

Authorize the Purchase of a Bio-Diesel Fuel Vactor 2103 Jet-Rodder on an International Chassis in the Amount of \$215,085 and Authorize the

Acting City Manager to Execute All Necessary Documents

BACKGROUND

The Public Works Department is responsible for the Managed Vehicle and Equipment (fleet) Replacement Program. On May 2, 2006, the City Council adopted Resolution 13951 establishing guiding principles for the management of the City's fleet vehicles and equipment. The replacement program is based on the City's fleet replacement criteria, which consider the useful life of vehicles and equipment in terms of age, mileage (hours), and usage. Vehicles and equipment scheduled for replacement are also reviewed and analyzed for safety history and operating performance to determine if it is appropriate to replace a vehicle or piece of equipment at a later date. In addition vehicles and equipment are reviewed to determine if the minimum use guidelines have been met.

DISCUSSION

The City of Alameda's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for the discharge of stormwater runoff from the storm systems requires annual maintenance and removal of sediment and debris from the City's 4,400 storm catch basins. The goal is to remove debris so it does not run into the Bay. To accomplish this work, the Public Works Department uses a mounted hydraulic cleaner, known as a vactor truck. The truck also assists the sewer crew to respond to major sanitary sewer overflows and is used to mitigate minor street ponding. The current vactor truck, which is 13 years old and has more than 155,000 miles, meets the replacement criteria and is in need of replacement.

The Public Works Department proposes to purchase a bio-diesel fuel Vactor 2103 Jet-Rodder on an International 4300SBA 4x2, 225 HP chassis through the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) procurement program. It is a nationwide, government-to-government procurement service that has procured products and services for over 30 years. All contracts available to members of GSA have been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with state statutes.

The Alameda Municipal Code, Subsection 2-61-7, Joint Purchases with Public Agencies, provides authority for the City to use another government agency's competitive bidding process to purchase materials, supplies, equipment, vehicles, and apparatus, "provided the purchase is the result of competitive bidding or proposal and is made in compliance with the competitive bid or proposal requirements of any participating agency or organization in a manner that is consistent with law." In order to assure a cost-effective purchase, the Public Works Department proposes to "piggyback" onto the GSA existing competitive bid and purchase the vactor truck for \$215,085. This price includes taxes, delivery charges, and administrative fees. In addition, the vactor truck will meet all required air quality regulations and mandates.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The 2010-2011 adopted budget includes \$350,000 from the Urban Run-off Fund (0351-91010) for the purchase of the vactor. There is no impact to the General Fund.

MUNICIPAL CODE/POLICY DOCUMENT CROSS REFERENCE

This action does not affect the Alameda Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the purchase of a bio-diesel fuel Vactor 2103 Jet-Rodder on an International chassis in the amount of \$215,085 and authorize the Acting City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

By,

Public Works Superintendent

Respectfully submitted.

Matthew T. Naclerio

Public Works Director

Approved as to funds and account,

Fred Marsh Controller